



# 7th INDIA WATER WEEK 2022

#### 1 - 5 NOVEMBER 2022

**Theme:** Water Security for Sustainable Development with Equity **Venue:** India Expo Centre, Greater Noida





### VALEDICTORY SESSION OF "7<sup>™</sup> INDIA WATER WEEK"

The Valedictory session of "7th India Water Week" was graced by the auspicious presence of Hon'ble Vice President Sh. Jagdeep Dhankhar ji in the august presence of Sh. Narendra Singh Tomar, Hon'ble Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Sh. Gajendra Singh Shekhawat Hon'ble Union Minister of Jal Shakti, Sh. Prahlad Singh Patel, Hon'ble Minister of State for Jal Shakti, Sh. Bishweswar Tudu, Hon'ble Minister of State for Jal Shakti, Sh. Swatantra Dev Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Jal Shakti, Uttar Pradesh. The session commenced with the National Anthem sung by brilliant school student.

"We must do everything to recreate our water bodies in a significant manner"

- Hon'ble Vice President Sh. Jagdeep Dhankhar

#### **VALEDICTORY SESSION**

Hon'ble Vice President Shri. Jagdeep Dhankhar Ji graced the Valedictory Session on the 5th Day of 7th India Water Week and his auspicious presence blessed the gathering in the august presence of Sh. Narendra Singh Tomar, Hon'ble Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Sh. Gajendra Singh Shekhawat Hon'ble Union Minister of Jal Shakti, Sh. Prahlad Singh Patel, Hon'ble Minister of State for Jal Shakti, Sh. Bishweswar Tudu, Hon'ble Minister of State for Jal Shakti, Sh. Swatantra Dev Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Jal Shakti, Uttar Pradesh. The session commenced with the National Anthem sung by brilliant school students.

Hon'ble Vice President Shri. Jagdeep Dhankhar Ji during his address appreciated the effort and vision of Ministry of Jal Shakti in bringing about a change in the field of water sector. He corroborated that with several initiatives, an ordinary man now is close to living a better life. He appreciated the efforts of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and the new dimension it has given to the meaning of Sanitation and Cleanliness. With his wise words he appealed everyone with special emphasis to Media to propagate a thought-process on optimum and efficient use of water resources and generate awareness. The Vice President in his speech appreciated the vision of Hon'ble Union Minister of Jal Shakti Sh.Gajendra Singh Shekhawat. He appreciated the hardwork and dedication put by Sh. Pankaj Kumar, Secretary, DoWR, MoJS GoI, Smt. Debashree Mukherjee, Special Secretary, DoWR, MoJS and Sh. Bhopal Singh, Director General, NWDA for bringing together the delegates from around the world in one platform to share their vision and valuable insights. Further he emphasized that many such events must be brought in the future.

Hon'ble Union Minister of Jal Shakti Shri. Gajendra Singh Shekhawat shared his words of wisdom and emphasized that people gathered for 7th India Water Week has played major role in bringing solutions for water management under one roof. He pointed that these five daylong events have reiterated the phrase of "Let us all come together and let us all think together." The delegates from around the world, the panelist discussions and success stories have inspired and set an example for us all and has opened a lot of doors for solutions. This mega event has brought about a change in perspective & added value for everyone. He corroborated that the five-day mega event has enriched our knowledge and insights and this event has opened so many doors to bring meaningful change in the water sector and sustainable development. He also thanked Denmark, Finland and Tajikistan for their participation and valuable contribution to the event.

Hon'ble Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Sh. Narendra Singh Tomar, addressed the gathering and emphasized on the need to bring new and innovative technologies to strengthen agriculture. Shri. Pankaj Kumar Secretary of Department of Water Resources delivered a key note address at the Valedictory Session of 7th India Water Week, appreciating the participants, stakeholders, panelists and young minds, for enriching the event with their beautiful insights. He welcomed and thanked the dignitaries, delegates, ambassadors and everyone to the event for their valuable presence. Smt. Debashree Mukherjee Special Secretary, DoWR, MoJS, GoI delivered a key note address by sharing her valuable insight on the event and how the event has played a key role in enriching the theme of Water Security for Sustainable Development with Equity.















## "PARTNERSHIP WITH COMMUNITY (PRI, SHF AND NGOS) FOR WATER CONSERVATION & MANAGEMENT BY NATIONAL WATER MISSION"

A very resourceful session took place on the 5th Day of 7th India Water Week, which was chaired by Sh. Anand Agrawal Member, CGWB, Ministry of Jal Shakti on the topic "Partnership with Community (PRI, SHF and NGOs) for Water Conservation & Management by National Water Mission. The session started the key note address by the chairman thereafter which the moderator Sh. Bishwadeep Ghose Country Director, Water for People gave a brief about the panelists. The first session covered the topic on Groundwater Governance and Management: Achieving Water Security at scale through collaborative efforts. The presenter took 8 mins for their presentation after which Q/A round was conducted. The second session of "Partnership with Community (PRI, SHF and NGOs) for Water Conservation & Management by National Water Mission commenced with a key note address by Sh. Suneel Kumar Arora, Advisor (C&M) National Water Mission, Ministry of Jal Shakti. The panelists expressed their insights on Rural Water Supply: Addressing Challenges of access, quality and service delivery

# "REUSE & RECYCLE OF WASTE WATER FOR WATER RESILIENCE & WATER MARKET WHICH WAS MODERATED BY WATER DIGEST"

A though- provoking session was chaired by Prof. A.A. Kazmi Dept. of Civil Engineer, IIT Roorkee and co chaired by Sh. Ajay Gupta Member (Drainage), DJB on Reuse & Recycle of Waste Water for Water Resilience & Water

Market which was This seminar gave an various areas in waste Irrigation paths, green water sector increasing Industrialization. It also water and its decrease demand. It reiterated bodies and responsible sustainability. Session 2 Water for Water Water Digest focused



moderated by Water Digest. insight on the experiences of water, Treatment of water, belts and the challenges in due to Urbanization and deliberated on availability of in supply by increasing the need to conserve water utilization for future on Reuse & Recycle of Waste Resilience & Water Market by on other areas of varied

importance. It gave a valuable scope of discussion on topics like scope of water and sanitation, the untreated waste water and the scope for solution, improved performance of septic tanks resulting in improved drain water quality flowing into river, and reuse of water for development of garden and urban forest, environment and social benefits for community empowerment and livelihood development inter alia. The discussions in the session enriched the scope of the topic and added a lot of value to the seminar.

#### **EVENT BY DHAN FOUNDATION**

A valuable event was organized by DHAN foundation on the final day of this interesting week. The welcome address was given by Sh. V. Venkatesan, Programme Leader, DHAN Foundation and Key note Address by Sh. Amit Mitra, Independent Researcher, New Delhi. The program set the discussion on Sustainable Development of Water Commons through Community Swaraj: A Key Solution for Water Security. The discussions set the tone on Sustainable Development of Water Commons: 25 years of Journey Towards Community Swaraj for Water Security, Decadal Partnership towards Sustainable Development of Water commons in Pambar Basin, Experiences and Milestones through DHAN, Retrieving Water commons in Urban Context, Water Partnership for Restoring Water commons and various discussion and Action Leads for Future.



### **EVENT BY MINISTRIES- ATAL BHUJAL YOJNA + NAQUIM**

Shri. Sunil Kumar Chairman, CGWB chaired an insightful session on Atal Bhujal Yojan + NAQUIM. The session was cochaired by Sh. K.C. Naik, Former Chairman, CGWB and Member J&K WRRA along with Sh. Pratul Saxena, Project Director, Atal Bhyjal Yojana. There were presentation of State Program Management Unit (SPMU), Karnataka on implementation of various activities under Atal Bhujal Yojan. It also focused on sharing of experience in reference to Atal Bhujal Yojana in Gram Panchayat. The NAQUIM – laying the foundation for sustainable ground water management was highlighted during the session along with Use of NAQUIM outputs with the wonderful success stories. The session concluded with an interactive session and a valuable concluding remarks.

